

GOOD SHEPHERD EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

The Liturgy of the Word - Rite Two

May 2, 2021 – 7:00 a.m.

*Thank you for joining us virtually for this service of the Liturgy of the Word.
We are happy to be able to share this with you and happy to have you with us!*

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HYMN: *He Has Risen*

Chorus He has risen
 He has risen
 He has risen
 Jesus is alive

Verse 1 When the life flowed from His body
 Seemed like Jesus' mission failed
 But His sacrifice accomplished
 Vict'ry over sin and hell

Repeat Chorus

Verse 2 In the grave God did not leave Him
 For His body to decay
 Raised to life the great awak'ning
 Satan's pow'r He overcame

Repeat Chorus

Verse 3 If there were no resurrection
 We ourselves could not be raised
 But the Son of God is living
 So our hope is not in vain

Repeat Chorus

Verse 4 When the Lord rides out of heaven
 Mighty angels at His side
 They will sound the final trumpet
 From the grave we shall arise

Repeat Chorus

Verse 5 He has given life immortal
 We shall see Him face to face
 Through eternity we'll praise Him
 Christ the Champion of our faith

Repeat Chorus

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The Liturgy of the Word

All stand.

Officiant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Officiant

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All say the song of praise

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Officiant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The people sit.

The First Reading

Acts 8:26-40

Reader A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 22:24-30

24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *

I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: *

"May your heart live for ever!"

26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, *

and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

27 For kingship belongs to the Lord; *

he rules over the nations.

28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *

all who go down to the dust fall before him.

29 My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; *

they shall be known as the Lord'S for ever.

30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

The Second Reading

1 John 4:7-21

Reader A reading from the First Letter of John.

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN: *Life In The Vine*

Verse 1 Father all Your being flows
Full and free thro' Christ the Vine
See how heaven's wonders grow
Water changes into wine
All Your fullness flows within
As I just abide in Him

Verse 2 Prune me Father cut away
Every fruitless stem from me
Trim from what I do and say
All that's less than I should be
All that darkens love's pure light
All that is not Jesus Christ

Verse 3 Flow unhindered Love divine
Heaven's rich and holy Breath
Fill my hands and heart and mind
Sharing all His life and death
Every moment truth and light
Every moment Jesus Christ

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The Gospel

John 15:1-8

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. R.K. "Moki" Hino

HYMN: *Abide With Me*

Verse 1 I have a home eternal home
 But for now I walk this broken world
 You walked it first You know our pain
 But You show hope can rise
 Again up from the grave

Chorus Abide with me, abide with me
 Don't let me fall and don't let go
 Walk with me and never leave
 Ever close God abide with me

Verse 2 There in the night Gethsemane
 Before the cross before the nails
 Overwhelmed alone You prayed
 You met us in our suffering
 And bore our shame

Chorus

Bridge Oh love that will not ever let me go
 Love that will not ever let me go
 You never let me go
 Love that will not ever let me go

Ending And up ahead eternity
 We'll weep no more we'll sing for joy
 Abide with me
 We'll weep no more we'll sing for joy
 Abide with me

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All stand and say together.

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

The Intercessor leads the Prayers.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world. Pray for The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East. Pray for St. Christopher's, Kailua and The Rev. Giovan & Thomas King; The Rev. Hollis & Ethel Maxson; The Rev. Preston & Mary Ann Lentz. Pray for A Cup of Cold Water and Deb Lynch, President. We also ask your prayers for Michael our Presiding Bishop, Robert our Bishop and Moki our Priest, for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for Joseph our President; David our Governor and Mike our Mayor; for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored especially, Elisabeth Cruciger, Monica and Julian of Norwich, whom we remember today. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

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Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

HYMN: *Remain in Me, I Am the Vine*

Refrain Remain in me, I am the vine.
 Remain in me; you shall have life.
 You are the branches: bear fruit for all to see.
 I am the vine, remain in me.

1. No branch can live without the tree,
nor grow or serve apart from me.
This I have told you that you may see
my love in you, your joy complete.

Repeat Refrain

3. As I have done so you should do,
so as to love as I love you.
For in your witness, my love is shown;
in simple ways, my heart made known.

Repeat Refrain

5. I am the way, the truth, the life.
I am your living sacrifice.
I offer freely my life for you.
Go now and do as I would do.

Repeat Refrain

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Officiant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**